

# Thunderstorm Strike Kills 7 in Kogi

Seven persons were recently killed in Imane, Olamoboro Local Government Area of Kogi State after a thunderstorm struck a Catholic Church where mem-

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*From Shola Oyeyipo*

*in Lokoja*

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bers were holding a meeting. According to eyewitness

account, the tragedy occurred when the church members were attempting to revive the first victim of the thunderstorm when another strike followed killing another six.

THISDAY gathered that the affected church members were holding the meeting in readiness for the Sunday service when the rain started and was accompanied by thunderous lightening.

Aside those who lost their lives, many were said to have sustained varying degrees of injuries.

According to the source, the church has been thrown into mourning mood since the sad incident occurred.

## Oyo over Minimum Wage

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*From Tunde Sanni in Ibadan*

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the state took the leadership of the NLC up on the negotiation of the new wage and vowed not to take anything less than N18,000.

The chairman of the NLC, Comrade Basiru Olanrewaju who spoke with newsmen in Ibadan, said that contrary to the promise of the governor to continue to pay N14,000 as mini-

imum wage in line with what obtains in Ekiti state, he has reverted to payment of N9,400, which was the old grade being paid before the agitation for N18,000 minimum wage.

Ajimobi had paid N18,000 as minimum wage for the month of May, but said the government could not continue the payment as doing it would mean borrowing N200million from any other source.